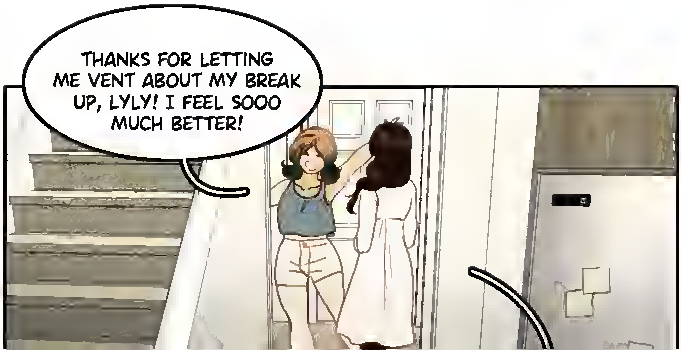
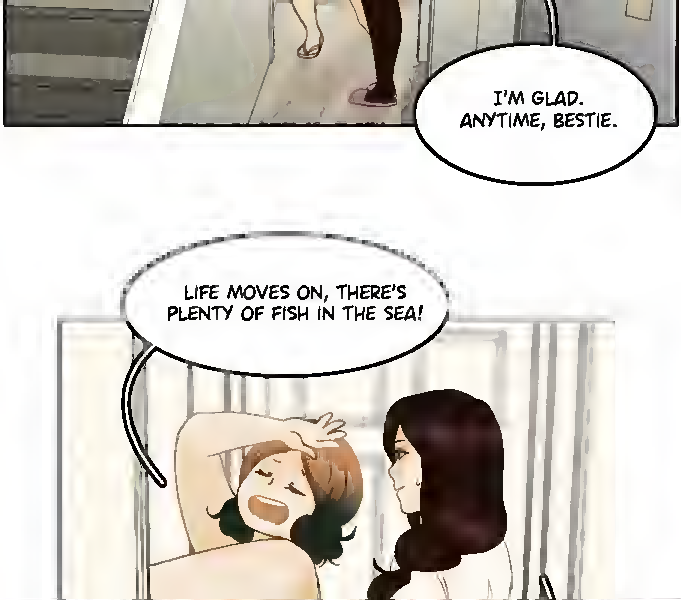
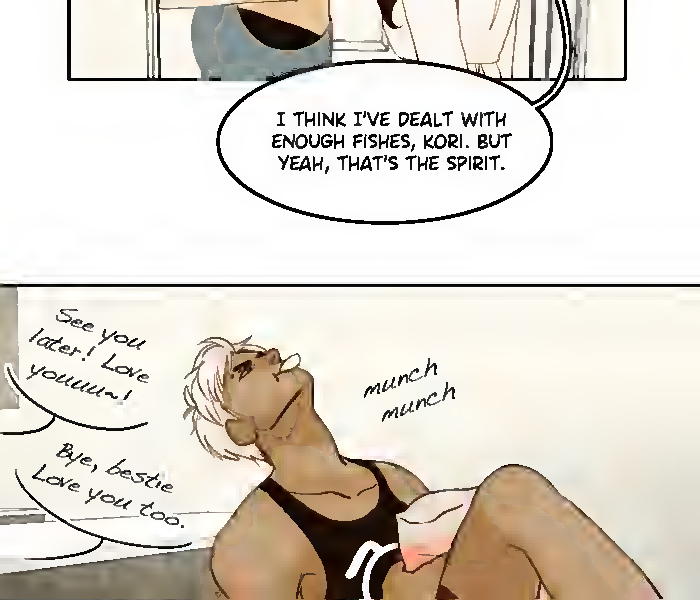
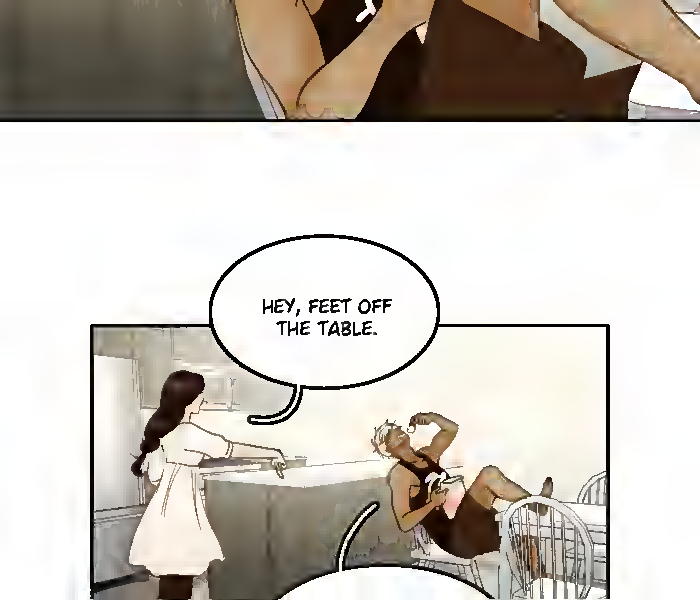
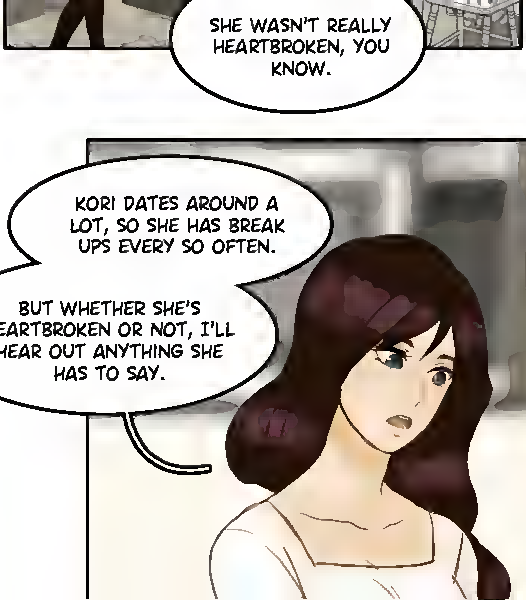
Please have your sound on for this chapter


THANKS FOR LETTING ME VENT ABOUT MY BREAK UP, LYLY! I FEEL SOOO MUCH BETTER!

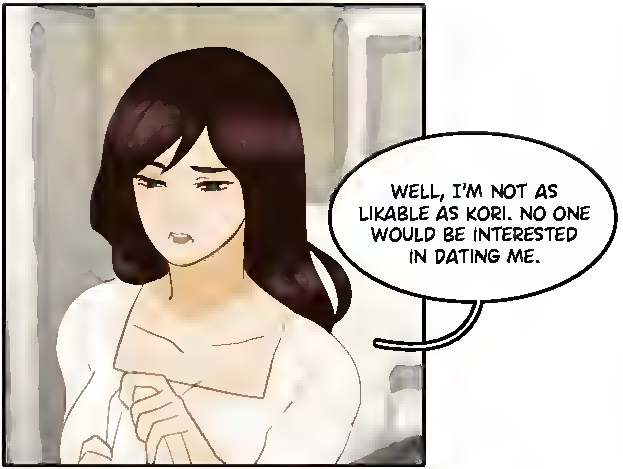

I'M GLAD.
ANYTIME, BESTIE.
LIFE MOVES ON, THERE'S
PLENTY OF FISH IN THE SEA!


I THINK I'VE DEALT WITH ENOUGH FISHES, KORI. BUT YEAH, THAT'S THE SPIRIT.
See you later! Love youuuu!
Bye, bestie Love you too.
munch munch


HEY, FEET OFF THE TABLE.

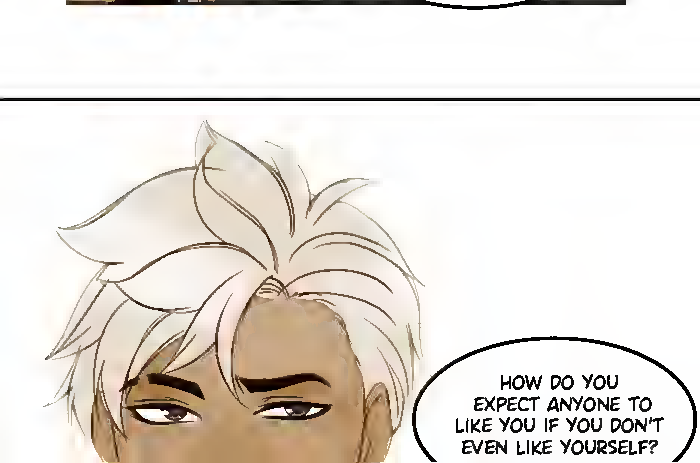

SHE WASN'T REALLY HEARTBROKEN, YOU KNOW.
KORI DATES AROUND A LOT, SO SHE HAS BREAK UPS EVERY SO OFTEN.
BUT WHETHER SHE'S HEARTBROKEN OR NOT, I'LL HEAR OUT ANYTHING SHE HAS TO SAY.

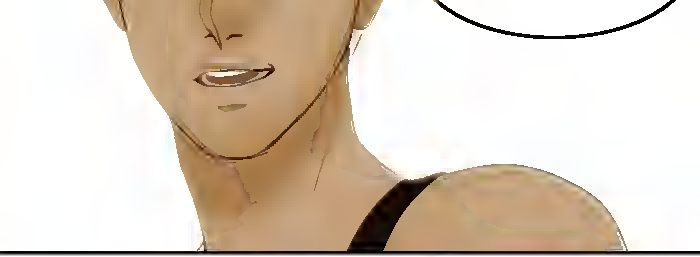
WHY DON'T YOU TRY TO BE MORE LIKE HER?
WHAT? YOU MEAN DATE AROUND?
YEAH, WHY NOT?

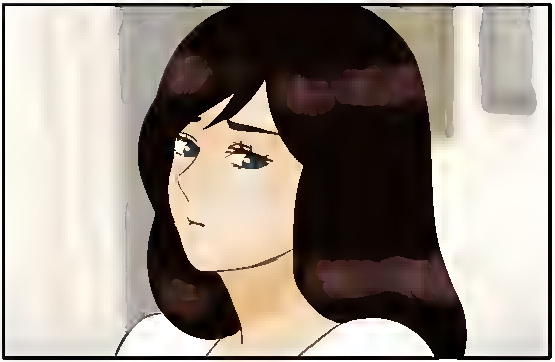

WELL, I'M NOT AS LIKABLE AS KORI. NO ONE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN DATING ME.

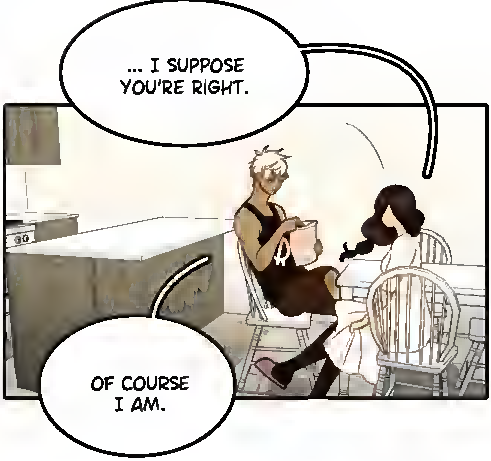
HUH... IF YOU PUT IT THAT WAY, MAYBE YOU AREN'T. I MEAN, WHO WOULD WANT TO GO OUT WITH SOMEONE AS UNINTERESTING AS YOU, RIGHT?

BUT ANSWER ME THIS, FISH BAIT...

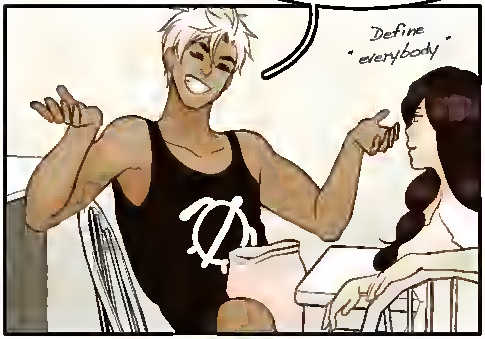

HOW DO YOU EXPECT ANYONE TO LIKE YOU IF YOU DON'T EVEN LIKE YOURSELF?

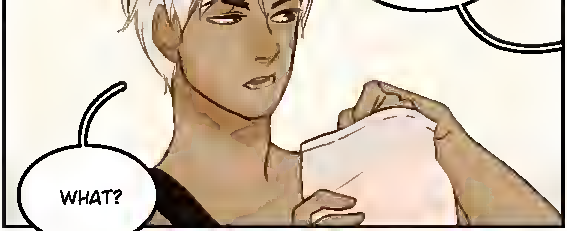





... I SUPPOSE YOU'RE RIGHT.
OF COURSE I AM.
TAKE ME FOR INSTANCE, I LOVE MYSELF AND EVERY-

BODY LOVES ME.

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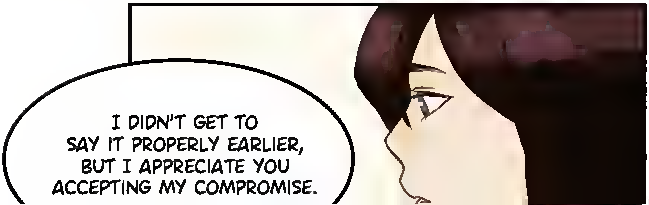
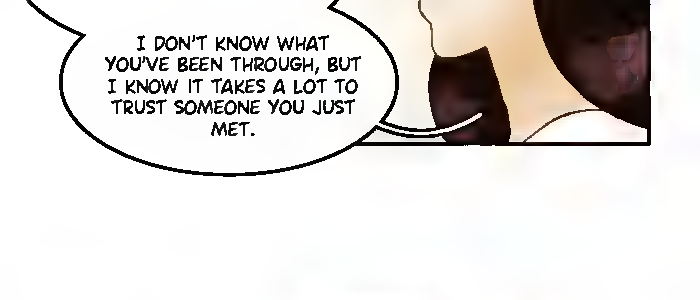
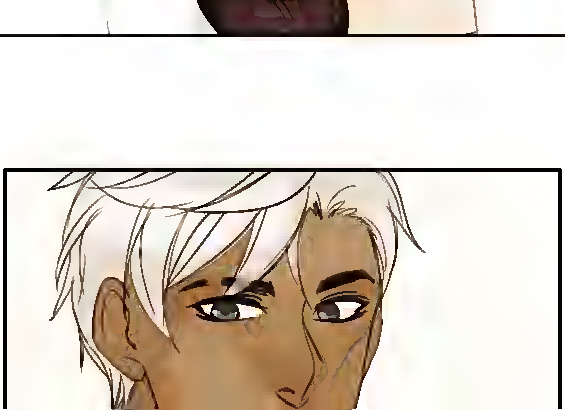
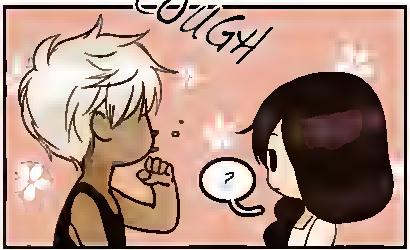

I DIDN'T GET TO
SAY IT PROPERLY EARLIER,
BUT I APPRECIATE YOU
ACCEPTING MY COMPROMISE.


I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH, BUT I KNOW IT TAKES A LOT TO TRUST SOMEONE YOU JUST MET.

SO... THANK YOU.




COUGH
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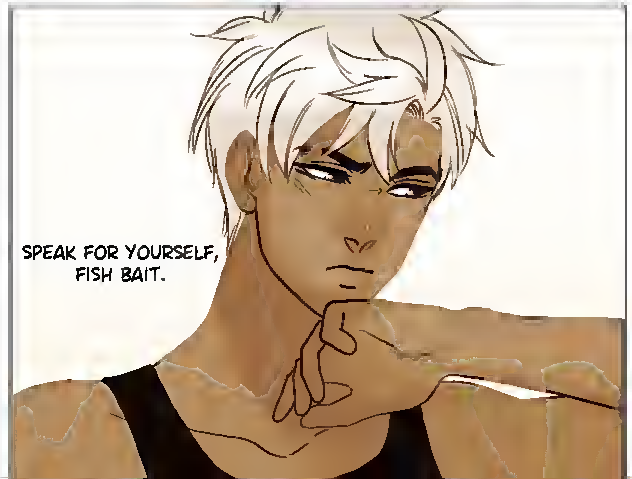

SPEAK FOR YOURSELF,
FISH BAIT.

YOU'RE THE ONE THAT'S
BEING DECEIVED...

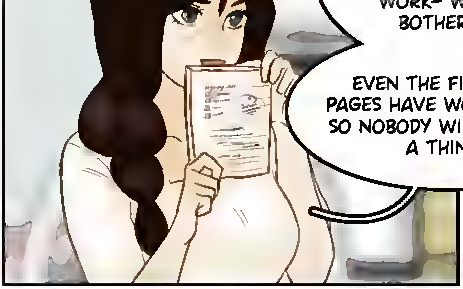
Siren's Lament

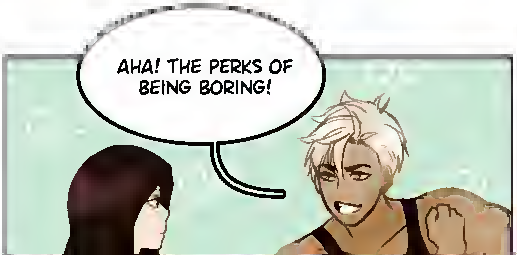
EPISODE 20: SINCERITY

IN THE MEANTIME, MAYBE WE CAN ADD

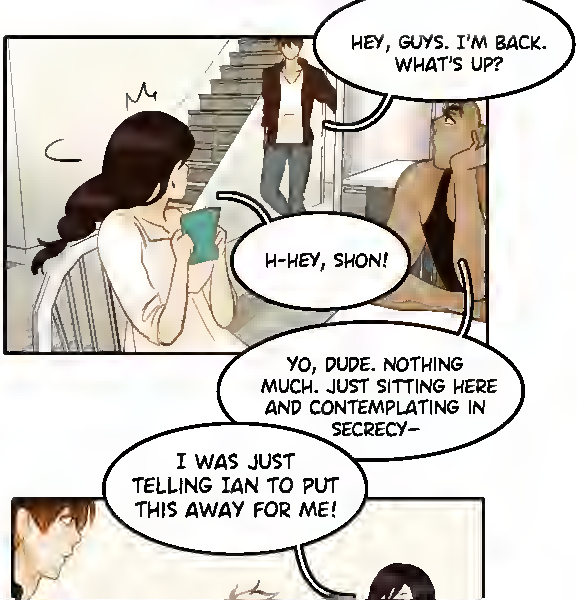
INFO TO THIS JOURNAL RIGHT NOW!
AREN'T YOU WORRIED SOMEONE MIGHT ACTUALLY READ IT?

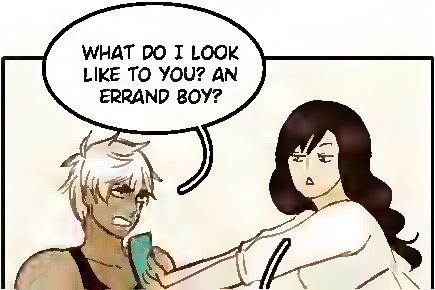
THIS JOURNAL LOOKS NO DIFFERENT FROM THE NOTEBOOKS I KEEP FOR


WORK- WHICH NO ONE BOTHERS TO READ.
EVEN THE FIRST FEW PAGES HAVE WORK NOTES, SO NOBODY WILL SUSPECT A THING!

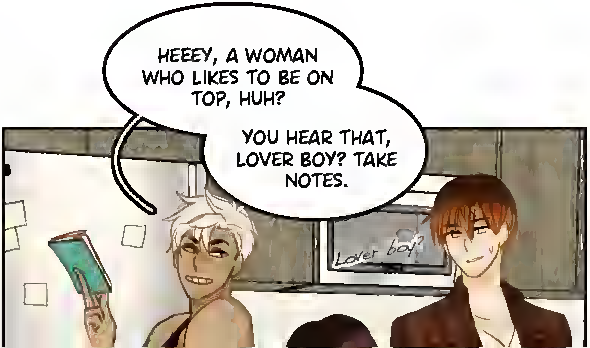

AHA! THE PERKS OF BEING BORING!

SMACK


HEY, GUYS. I'M BACK. WHAT'S UP?
H-HEY, SHON!
YO, DUDE. NOTHING MUCH. JUST SITTING HERE AND CONTEMPLATING IN SECRECY–
I WAS JUST TELLING IAN TO PUT THIS AWAY FOR ME!

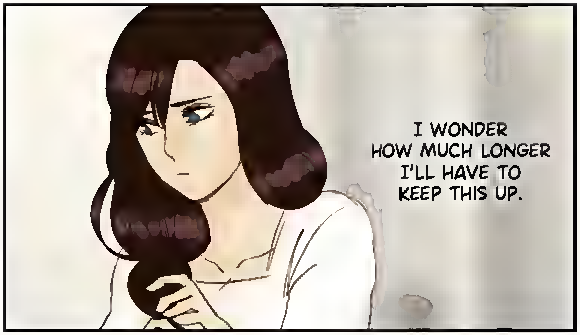

WHAT DO I LOOK LIKE TO YOU? AN ERRAND BOY?

WELL, I DID JUST HIRE YOU TODAY, SO TECHNICALLY YOU DO WORK UNDER ME.


HEEEY, A WOMAN WHO LIKES TO BE ON TOP, HUH?
YOU HEAR THAT, LOVER BOY? TAKE NOTES.
Lover boy!

HEY, IAN. HERE'S A LITTLE NOTE FOR YOU: STOP TALKING.
OUT.
OKAY, OKAY. GEEZ.

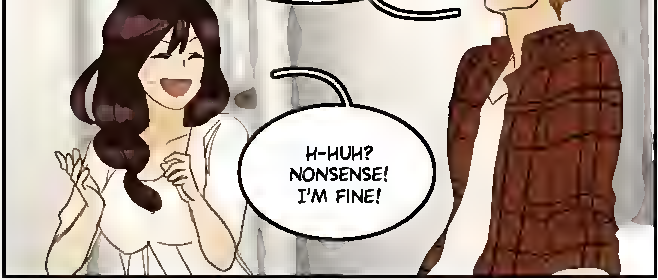
NEW RECRUIT, HUH?
HUH? O-OH YEAH, IT'S ONLY TEMPORARY THOUGH. JUST TO HELP IAN GET BACK ON HIS FEET, YOU KNOW?

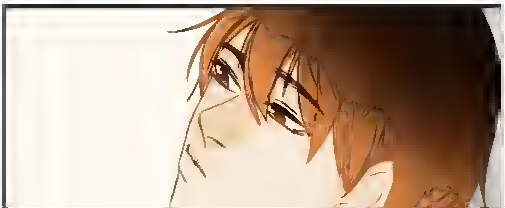

I WONDER
HOW MUCH LONGER
I'LL HAVE TO
KEEP THIS UP.

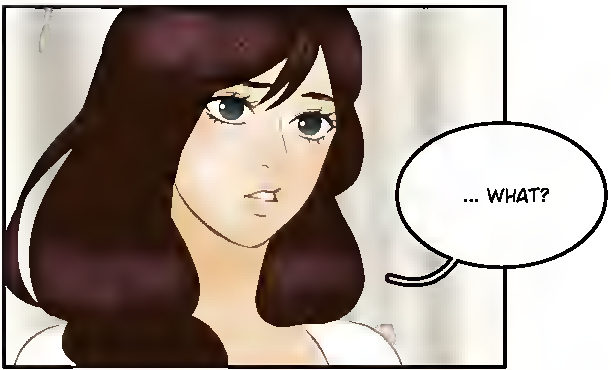
... EVERYTHING
OKAY, LYR?

OH- UH HUH,
WHY DO YOU ASK?

BECAUSE YOU
PLAY WITH YOU HAIR
AND FIDGET WITH YOUR
HANDS WHEN YOU HAVE
SOMETHING ON YOUR
MIND.

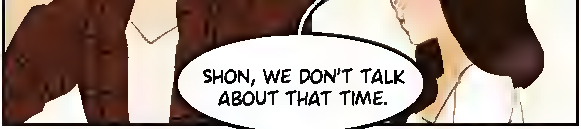

H-HUH?
NONSENSE!
I'M FINE!




... WHAT?

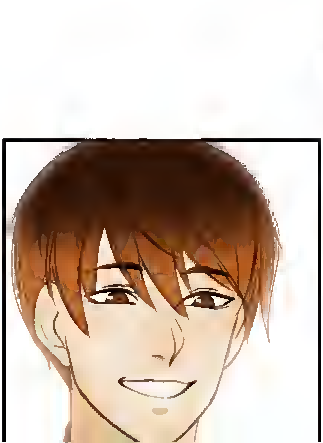
HEY...
DO YOU REMEMBER THE TIME I SPED DOWN THAT STEEP HILL ON MY BIKE SEVERAL YEARS AGO?

WHEN I CRASHED, YOU CAME SPRINTING AFTER ME TO CHECK IF I WAS OKAY.
THEN I PRETENDED I WAS UNCONSCIOUS AND YOU STARTED CRYING ON THE SPOT.
Pfft

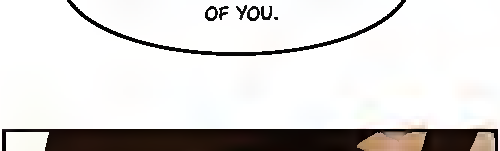

SHON, WE DON'T TALK ABOUT THAT TIME.

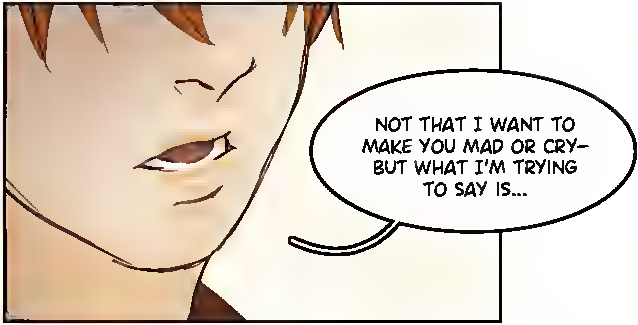
I SWEAR WHEN YOU FOUND OUT I WAS FAKING, YOU WERE SO MAD, YOU WERE THIS CLOSE TO BEATING ME UP!
YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN THE LOOK ON YOUR FACE! THAT WAS PURE RAGE!

I'M WARNING YOU RIGHT NOW! KNOCK IT OFF!
HEY, THAT'S IT! THAT'S THE LOOK!
PFT– SHUT UP! I MEAN IT!
Haha!

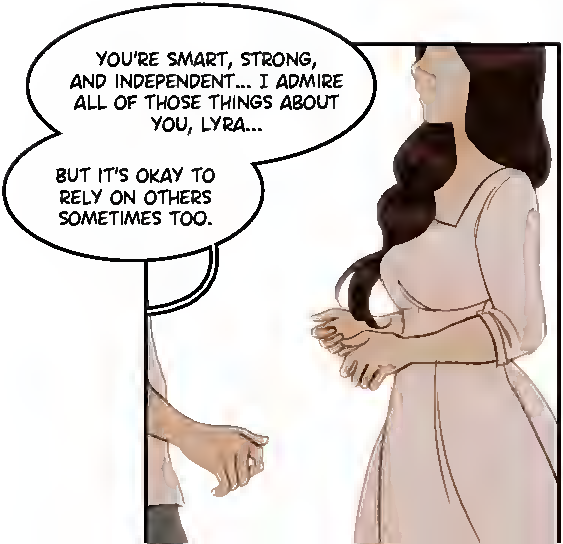


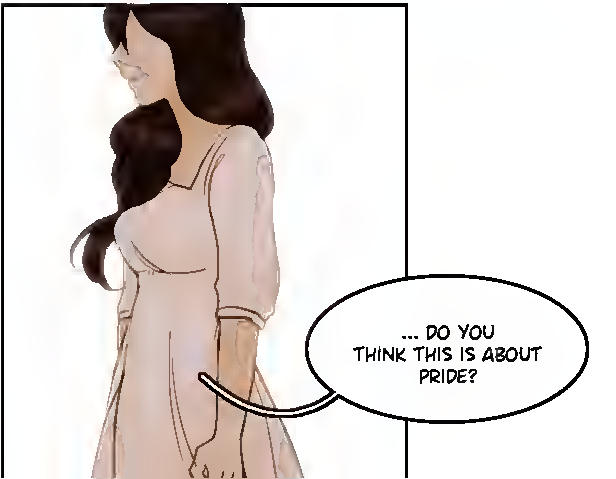
I MISS THOSE TIMES...
AND SEEING THAT SIDE
OF YOU.




NOT THAT I WANT TO MAKE YOU MAD OR CRY– BUT WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY IS...
I FEEL THAT LATELY

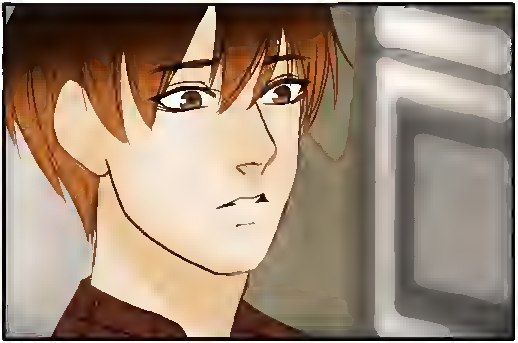
YOU'VE BEEN HOLDING BACK...
AND I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW I'M HERE FOR YOU.

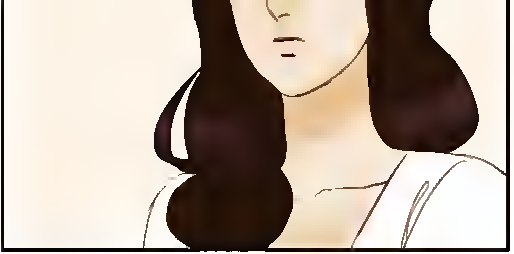

YOU'RE SMART, STRONG, AND INDEPENDENT... I ADMIRE ALL OF THOSE THINGS ABOUT YOU, LYRA...
BUT IT'S OKAY TO RELY ON OTHERS SOMETIMES TOO.


... DO YOU
THINK THIS IS ABOUT
PRIDE?

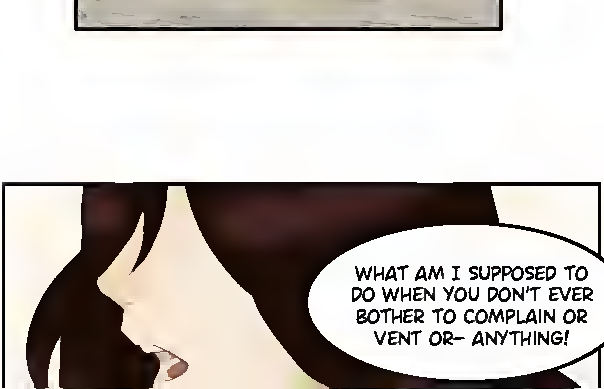
SHON, YOU'RE NOT BEING FAIR AT ALL.

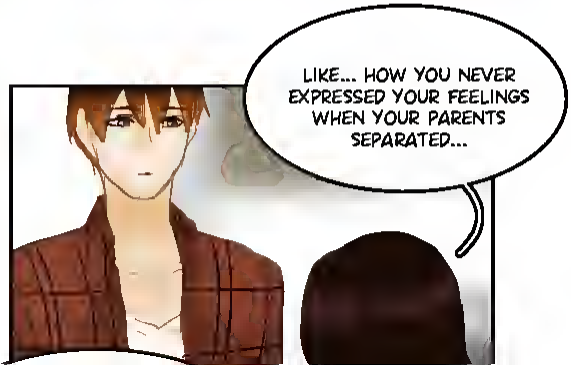
DON'T YOU DARE
ACT LIKE IT'S JUST ME.

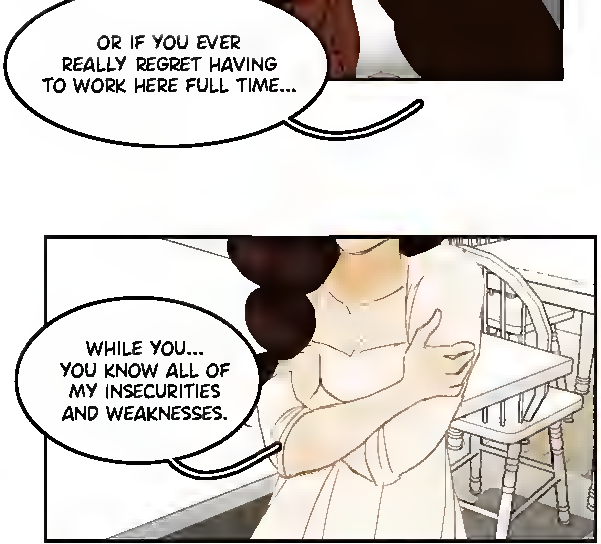




HOW COULD YOU ASK ME TO RELY ON YOU WHEN I CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER THE LAST TIME YOU CAME TO ME FOR HELP? FOR COMFORT?


WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO WHEN YOU DON'T EVER BOTHER TO COMPLAIN OR VENT OR– ANYTHING!


LIKE... HOW YOU NEVER EXPRESSED YOUR FEELINGS WHEN YOUR PARENTS SEPARATED...


OR IF YOU EVER REALLY REGRET HAVING TO WORK HERE FULL TIME...
WHILE YOU... YOU KNOW ALL OF MY INSECURITIES AND WEAKNESSES.

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I LEARNED JUST RECENTLY FROM SOMEONE...

YOU HAVE TO REFLECT ON YOURSELF BEFORE YOU CAN EXPECT ANYTHING OUT OF OTHER PEOPLE.
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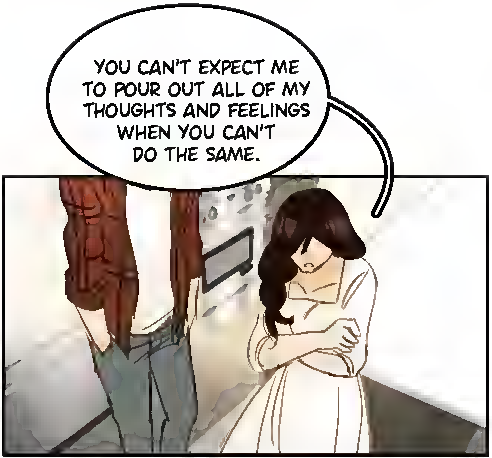
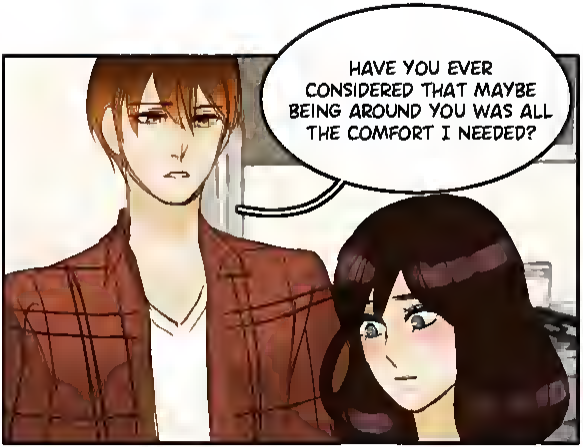
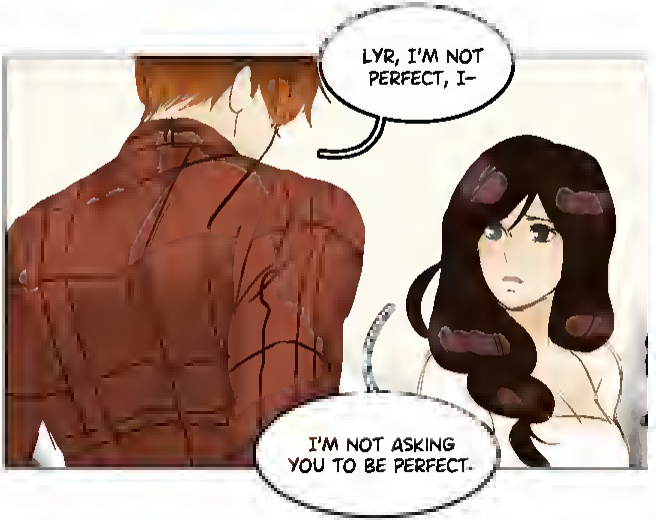
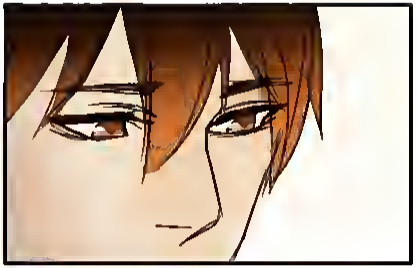
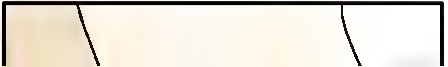

YOU CAN'T EXPECT ME TO POUR OUT ALL OF MY THOUGHTS AND FEELINGS WHEN YOU CAN'T DO THE SAME.

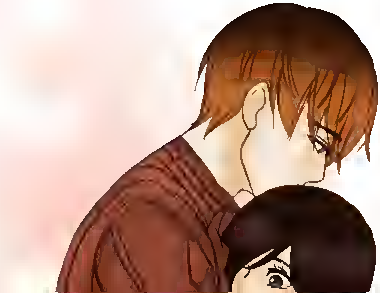

HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED THAT MAYBE BEING AROUND YOU WAS ALL THE COMFORT I NEEDED?

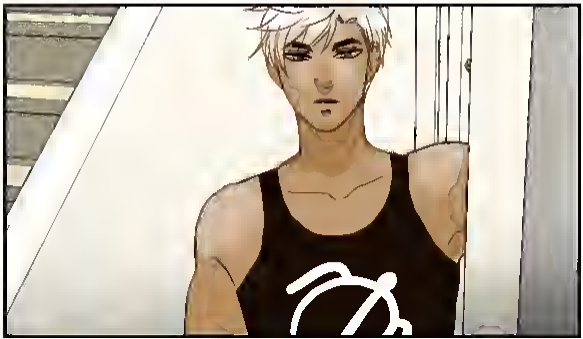

LYR, I'M NOT PERFECT, I-
I'M NOT ASKING YOU TO BE PERFECT.

I'M JUST ASKING YOU TO BE YOURSELF TOO.









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Vamm

HEY GUYS, AREN'T YOU FORGETTING SOMEONE~?

IAN!

Where does this guy even come from...?
blehh

Siren's Lament

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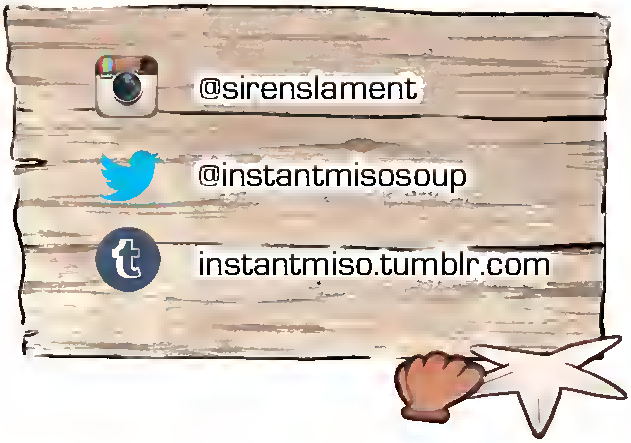
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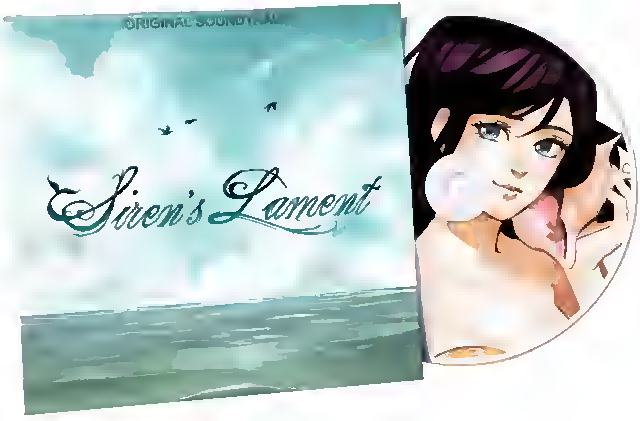

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